

specification in a manner to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and/or use the invention.

Additionally, claims 1-9, 13-18, 23-25, 27 and 30-32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 for obviousness over Keskitalo (5,893,033) in view of Raith (5,603,081). Claims 10-12, 19-22, 28, 29 and 33-35 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 for obviousness over Keskitalo, Raith and further in view of Nakano (5,832,368).

With regard to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, it is respectfully submitted that one skilled in the art would readily comprehend the meaning of "wait zone" based upon the description in the specification, for example, page 10, line 34, and also for example in claim 1 where in the last paragraph a "wait zone" is described as the radio zone to which a highest priority is assigned (by a mobile station) for the purposes of pre-selection. When the mobile station is for example, to initiate a call, the mobile station already "knows" as a result of earlier procedures to what base station its signal will be directed.

The specification also defines "wait zone" with regard to a conventional mobile communication system. Please see page 7, line 18, where a "wait state" is described through page 9, line 13.

Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the "wait zone" concept is not unique except as defined by the predetermined procedure of the present invention and one skilled within the art will understand the concept and be able to practice the present invention based upon the disclosure here.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, is inappropriate in this case and should be withdrawn.

The rejections of claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103 for obviousness in view of the cited prior art are respectfully traversed.

The Examiner newly cited Keskitalo et al (USP No. 5,893,033) and mainly relied thereon. The Examiner considered that broadcast means as claimed here is described in column 11, lines 19-46 of the reference.

Keskitalo teaches that the base station 100 uses phased antenna groups and that the measurement list of the terminal equipment 102 can include the microcells that are known to be situated in the same area as the terminal equipment. Further, Keskitalo teaches that the base station controller controlling the base station 100 is aware of the microcells within the area of the umbrella cell and can update the measurement list of the terminal equipment on the basis of the location and the direction of motion of the equipment so that the list contains the microcells situated within the same area.

It can be understood from the above that Keskitalo does not teach or suggest announcing means for generating and transmitting announcement information including the order of priority assigned to radio zones, as claimed in the present application.

As discussed in our previous Remarks in response to the first Office Action, Raith that was cited again in the outstanding Office Action, fails to teach or suggest announcing means as claimed.

Since Keskitalo does not teach or suggest announcing means as here claimed, Keskitalo does not teach or suggest announcement information receiving means provided in a mobile station, and thus does not teach or suggest wait control means operating based on the received announcement information. Raith also fails to teach or suggest such announcement information receiving means and wait control means.

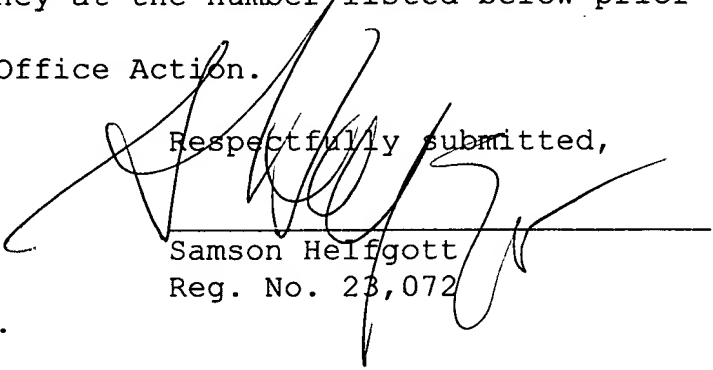
For these reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the references taken alone or in the suggested combinations, do not teach, suggest nor make obvious the present inventions and the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103 for obviousness are inappropriate in this case.

An earnest effort has been made to be fully responsive to the Examiner's objections. In view of the above remarks, it is respectfully believed that all claims are in condition for allowance. Passage of this case to allowance is earnestly solicited.

However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, he is respectfully requested that he telephone

the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior
to issuing a further Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,



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